

# P R O C L A I M I N G OF KING WILLIAM AND QUEEN MARY,

At WHITE-HALL, and in the CITY of LONDON, Feb. 13. 1688<sup>8</sup>/<sub>9</sub>

**A**Bout half an hour past Ten in the Morning, the Lords and Commons came from *Westminster* to *White hall*, in their Coaches, and alighting at the Gate, went up into the Banqueting house, where they presented the Prince and Princess of *Orange* with an Instrument in Writing, for Declaring their Highnesses King and Queen of *England*, *France* and *Ireland*, and the Dominions and Territories thereunto belonging; desiring them to accept the Crown pursuant to the said Declaration, which their Highnesses accepting accordingly, the said Lords and Commons came down again to *Whit-hal-gate*, preceded by the Speakers of their respective Houses, each attended with a Sergeant at Arms; where they found the Heralds of Arms, the Sergeants at Arms, the Trumpets, and other Officers, all in readiness, being assembled by Orders from the Duke of *Norfolk*, Earl-Marshall of *England*. And Sir *Thomas St. George* Knight Garter, Principal King of Arms, having received a Proclamation, and an Order from the Lords House to the Kings Heralds and Pursuivants of Arms, for Publishing or Proclaiming the same forthwith: The persons concern'd, disposed themselves in order before the Court-gate, for making the said Proclamation; And the Trumpets having sounded a Call three several times, the last of which was answer'd by a great Shout of the Vast Multitudes of People there assembled; the Noise ceasing, the said Garter, King of Arms, read the said Proclamation by short Sentences or Periods, which was thereupon Proclaim'd aloud by *Robert Devenish*, Esq; York Herald, being the Senior Herald, in these words:

*Whereas it hath pleased Almighty God, in his great Mercy to this Kingdom. &c.*

Which being ended, and the Trumpets sounding a Flourish, was answered by several repeated Shouts of the People.

And Directions being given to proclaim the same within *Temple-Bar*, in *Cheap side*, and at the *Royall-Exchange*, the Proceeding marched in this manner:

First, the several Beadles of the Liberties of *Westminster*; Next the Constables of the said Liberties, all on foot, with the High-Constable on Horse-back; After them the Head Bailiff of *Westminster*, and his Men, all with white Staves, to clear the way, on Horse-back; Then the Knight-marshals Men, also on Horse-back; Next to these a Class of Trumpets, Nine in a'l, viz. 2, 2, 2, and 3. followed by the Sergeant-Trumpeter, carrying his Mace on his shoulder, all likewise on Horse-back; Then a Pursuivant of Arms single; Then a Pursuivant and a Sergeant at Arms: Another Pursuivant and a Sergeant at Arms; Then four Heralds of Arms, one after another, each with a Sergeant at Arms on his left hand, the Heralds and Pursuivants being all in their Rich Coats of the Royal Arms, and the Sergeants at Arms, each carrying his Mace on his shoulder, and all on Horse-back, Then Garter King of Arms in his Rich Coat of Arms, carrying the Proclamation, accompanied by Sir *Tho. Duppa*, Kt. Gentleman-Usher of the Black-Rod, in his Crimson Mantle of the Order of the Garter, and his Black-Rod of Office, likewise on Horse-back.

These immediately preceded the Marquess of *Halifax*, who executed the Place of Speaker in the House of Lords, in his Coach, attended by Sir *Roger Harsnet*, eldest Serjeant at Arms, with his Mace. Then follow'd *Henry Powle* Esq; Speaker of the House of Commons, in his Coach, attended by *John Topham* Esq; Serjeant at Arms to the said House, with his Mace. After the two Speakers of the Houses, followed the Duke of *Norfolk*, Earl Marshal, and Premier Duke of *England* in his Coach, with his Marshals Staff in his hand. And next to him all the Peers in order in their Coaches. And last of all the Members of the House of Commons in their Coaches. In this Order they proceeded towards *Temple-bar*: and being come as far the *Maypole* in the *Strand*, two of the Officers of Arms with a Sergeant at Arms, and Two Trumpets went before to *Temple-bar*, and the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Sheriffs, being by this time arrived there, and having ordered the Gates to be shut, the Herald at Arms knocked thereat, whereupon the Sheriffs being on Horse-back, came to the Gate, and the said Herald acquainting them, *That he came by Order of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal assembled at Westminster, to demand Entrance in that Famous City, for the Proclaiming of William and Mary, King and Queen of England, France, and Ireland, and the dominions and Territories thereunto belonging; and therefore required their speedy Answer.* The said Sheriffs ordered the Gates to be opened. Whereupon leaving the Head-Bailiff, Constables, and Beadles of *Westminster* without the Barr, the rest of the Proceeding entred, where they found the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder, and Sheriffs, all in their Formalities and on Horse-back, except the Lord Mayor who was in his Coach, attended by the Sword-bearer, and other of his Officers, who joyfully receiving them, they made a stand between the two Temple-Gates, and Proclaimed their Majesties a second time. From whence they marched towards *Cheap-side*, a Class of the City-Trumpets, and the Lord Mayor's Livery-men leading the way, and the said Aldermen, and Lord Mayor falling into the Proceeding: And near *Wood-street* end (the place where *Cheap-side-Cross* formerly stood) they made another stand, and Proclaimed their Majesties a third time. And arriving at the *Royal Exchange* about Two of the Clock, they Proclaimed them a fourth time; and at each Proclamation the vast multitudes of Spectators who thronged the Streets, Balconies and Windows, filled the Air with loud and repeated shouts and expressions of Joy. Within *Temple-bar*, and all along *Fleetstreet*, the *Orange* Regiment of the City Militia, lined both sides of the way, as did the *Green* Regiment within *Ludgate* and *St. Paul's Church-yard*; the *Blew* Regiment in *Cheap-side*, and the *White* in *Cornhil*.

By the King and Queen A PROCLAMATION,

*William R.*

**F**Orasmuch as it hath pleased God to Call Us to the Throne, and that thereby it is Incumbent upon Us to Prevent any Inconvenience to Our Subjects that may arise by not Executing the Laws Necessary or Conducing to the Peace and better Government of Our People. We therefore do hereby Declare Our Royal Pleasure to be, That all Persons being Protestants, who upon the first day of *December* last past, were in the Offices of Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Collectors, Receivers, and other Offices and Places concerning the Collecting, Receiving, and Paying of the Revenue of this Kingdom, shall be, and shall hold themselves continued in the said Offices and Places respectively, untill Our Pleasure be further known. And that they and every of them do take on them the Execution of their said respective Offices and Places; and that all Our Loving Subjects do give their due Obedience, and be Aiding and Assisting unto them therein.

*Given at Our Court at White-hall, this 14th day of February 1689. In the First Year of Our Reign.*

GOD Save King WILLIAM and Queen MART.

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